# Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church Sunday July 13th, 2025 Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council



We welcome all our Parishioners and Friends and Guests to our Holy Cross Community.

Service Hours are as follows: Sunday:

Orthros 8:30a.m. Liturgy 9:45a.m.

Sunday School begins right after communion.

## Have a Blessed Summer!

All Week Day Divine Liturgy Services are as follows: Orthros 9:00a.m. and Liturgy 10:00a.m.



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ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ ΤΗΣ ΗΜΕΡΑΣ GOSPEL READING FOR THE DAY

#### **TIT 3:8 - 15**

Τέκνον Τίτε, πιστὸς ὁ λόγος καὶ περὶ τούτων βούλομαί σε διαβεβαιοῦσθαι. ἵνα φροντίζωσι καλῶν ἔργων προΐστασθαι οἱ πεπιστευκότες τῶ Θεῶ, ταῦτά ἐστι τὰ καλὰ καὶ ὤφέλιμα τοῖς άνθρώποις μωράς δέ ζητήσεις καὶ γενεαλογίας καὶ ἔρεις καὶ μάχας νομικάς περιΐστασο: είσὶ γὰρ άνωφελεῖς καὶ μάταιοι. αἱρετικὸν ἄνθρωπον μετὰ μίαν καὶ δευτέραν νουθεσίαν παραιτοῦ, είδως ὅτι ἐξέστραπται ό τοιοῦτος καὶ άμαρτάνει ὢν αὐτοκατάκριτος. Όταν πέμψω Άρτεμᾶν πρός σε ἢ Τυχικόν, σπούδασον έλθεῖν πρός με είς Νικόπολιν. έκεῖ γὰρ κέκρικα παραχειμάσαι. Ζηνᾶν τὸν νομικὸν καὶ Άπολλὼ σπουδαίως πρόπεμψον, ἵνα μηδὲν αὐτοῖς λείπη, μανθανέτωσαν δὲ καὶ οἱ ἡμέτεροι καλῶν ἔργων προΐστασθαι είς τὰς άναγκαίας χρείας, ἵνα μὴ ὧσιν ἄκαρποι. Άσπάζονταί σε οἱ μετ' έμοῦ πάντες. ἄσπασαι τοὺς φιλοῦντας ἡμᾶς έν πίστει. Ή χάρις μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν ἀμήν.

#### Tit. 3:8 - 15

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions. and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful: he is selfcondemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

#### MT 5:14 - 19

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τοῖς ξαυτοῦ μαθηταῖς. Ύμεῖς ἐστε τὸ φῶς τοῦ κόσμου, οὐ δύναται πόλις κρυβῆναι ἐπάνω ὄρους κειμένη οὐδὲ καίουσι λύχνον καὶ τιθέασι αὐτὸν ὑπὸ τὸν μόδιον, άλλ' ἐπὶ τὴν λυχνίαν, καὶ λάμπει πᾶσι τοῖς ἐν τῆ οἰκία. οὕτω λαμψάτω τὸ φῶς υμῶν ἔμπροσθεν τῶν άνθρώπων, ὅπως ἴδωσιν ὑμῶν τὰ καλὰ ἔργα καὶ δοξάσωσι τὸν πατέρα ὑμῶν τὸν ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς. Μὴ νομίσητε ὅτι ἦλθον καταλῦσαι τὸν νόμον ἢ τοὺς προφήτας οὐκ ήλθον καταλῦσαι, άλλὰ πληρῶσαι, ἀμὴν νὰρ λέγω ὑμῖν, ἕως ἂν παρέλθη ὁ οὐρανὸς καὶ ἡ γῆ, ἰῶτα εν ἢ μία κεραία οὐ μὴ παρέλθη ἀπὸ τοῦ νόμου ἕως ἂν πάντα γένηται. ὃς ἐὰν οὖν λύση μίαν τῶν έντολῶν τούτων τῶν έλαχίστων καὶ διδάξη ούτω τοὺς άνθρώπους, ἐλάχιστος κληθήσεται έν τῆ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν· ὃς δ' αν ποιήση καὶ διδάξη, οὗτος μέγας κληθήσεται έν τῆ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.

#### Mt. 5:14 – 19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel. but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men. that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away. not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven: but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

# ἀπολυτίκιον ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος δ΄.

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἁγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορἡίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

## Τῶν Πατέρων. Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.

Ύπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὁδηγήσας πολυεύσπλαγχνε, δόξα σοι.

# Κοντάκιον.

# Ήχος β΄.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ὰμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

# Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 4.

When the women disciples of the Lord heard the Angel joyously proclaim the resurrection, they cast aside the ancestral verdict, and boasting in glory they said to the Apostles, "Death has been despoiled! Christ God has risen, granting the great mercy to the world!"

## For the Fathers.

#### Mode pl. 4.

Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God. You established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beacons, and through them You have guided us all to the true Faith, O greatly merciful One, glory be to You.

#### Kontakion. Mode 2.

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

#### **SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS**

#### No Sacraments

#### SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

MARRIAGE SEMINAR 2025: August 9, October 11

**AUG 1st** Paraklesis Service; 7pm

<u>AUG 4th</u> Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 6th Transfiguration Feast Day; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

AUG 6th Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 8th Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 11th Paraklesis Service; 7pm

**AUG 13th** Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 15th Feast Day of Panagia Dormition; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

**SEPT 8th** Feast Day of the Birth of Panayia; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

**SEPT 14th** Feast Day of the Holy Cross

**OCT 4th** Blessing of the Animals; 11am; Rain or Shine

**OCT 4th** Kefi Sto Xorio

**OCT 30th** Pumpkin Carving

**NOV 14th** Boxing Night

**NOV 21st** Feast Day of the Presentation to the Mother of God to the Temple



#### **July 2025**

# MESSAGES from the METROPOLIS

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#### LATEST NEWS

6/9 Establishment of Regional Vicariate Councils



- 6/18 2024 Annual Impact Report
- 6/25 "Called to Serve: Journeys To Ordained Ministry." Available now on Amazon.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- 7/31 YAL Chicago Boat Cruise
- SCAN FOR MORE EVENTS
- 9/29 Save the Date: Annual Metropolis Cup Golf Outing

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#### **ALTAR BOY SERVERS**

#### STEWARDSHIP QUOTE

Boys from the age of 7 years old and up are welcomed. Please give the name to the office or to Fr. John. All altar boys to be dressed and ready to serve by 9:45am.

As we have entered into the summer months and depart for our vacations, please do not take a vacation from your Church obligations. Stewardship is not just a once a year commitment, but 365 days throughout the year. Please look at your stewardship offering since we have reached the mid point of 2025 and if you haven't done so, fulfil it today. As always give the best to God's house for the greatest sacrifice that God gave to us.

#### **MEMORIALS**

Joyce (Zoi) Maris, 2 Years, Right Pews 1-2

Todays coffee hour is hosted by the family of Joyce Maris in her memory.

Everyone is invited to our community hall to enjoy Fellowship.





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# BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4"

#### AT 11 A.M.

Bring your beloved pets to be blessed by Fr. John. We will meet outside of the church for the blessing. All animals are welcome but must be leashed or caged at all times.



